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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The undersigned filed a Request For Entry Of A Previously Filed Amendment on October 16, 2003 requesting entry of an Amendment originally filed on December 20, 2002. In response, the Patent Office issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment on November 14, 2003 indicating that the Amendment did not comply with the current Amendment rules under §121. However, because the Amendment was originally filed on December 20, 2002, it is believed that the Amendment need not comply with the current Amendment rules.

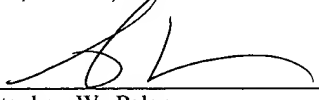
The undersigned contacted Ms. Shanda E. Ross regarding the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Today Ms. Ross left a telephone message for the undersigned indicating that the Amendment originally filed on December 20, 2002 has been entered into the application file, and that the file has been forwarded to the Examiner. Accordingly, it is believed that there is no time period running against the Applicant, and that there is no need to respond to the erroneously issued Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at 703-838-6578.

Respectfully submitted,

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